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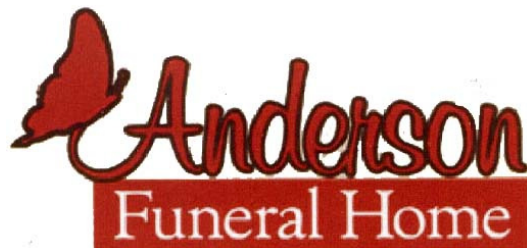
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Neighbors evacuated after man allegedly fires weapon

Residents of the 600 block of Fourth St. were evacuated from their homes early Sunday morning after a man allegedly fired shots in his home.

Kip A. Menschel, 22, of 606 S. Fourth St., was arrested after an incident at 1:57 a.m. at his home.

Hoopeston police and Vermilion County Sheriff's Department deputies sealed off the area, according to a police department statement. Approximately three and a half hours after the initial call, the sheriff's department Special Operations Group gained entry into the home and took Menschel into custody.

Menschel was charged with aggravated use of a

weapon and reckless discharge of a weapon. He was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Police said no one was injured in the incident.

In other police news:

Garety D. Woodrich, 19, of 715 E. Thompson was arrested at 2:48 p.m. Thursday in the 700 block of East Thompson. He was charged with one count of posses-

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Kaag award winner named

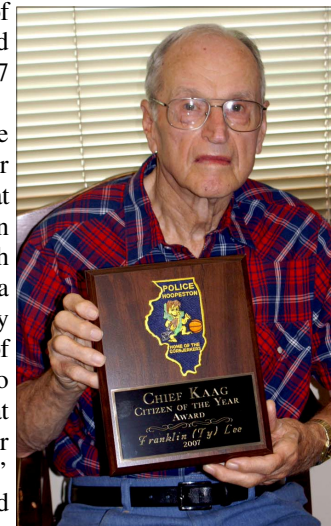
Franklin "Ty" Lee, of Hoopeston was named the winner of the 2007 Chief Kaag Award.

Hoopeston Police Chief Mark Drollinger presented the award at Tuesday's Hoopeston Neighborhood Watch meeting, calling Lee a person who "leads by example. He's one of those quiet leaders who leads as much by what they don't say rather than what they do say."

Winners of the award are people live an exemplary life style, are supportive of law enforcement and are looked up to by their peers.

The award is given each year in May in conjunction with National Police Week.

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Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: Chicken patty/bun, tri-tator, apple-sauce.
 TUESDAY: Taco pizza, salad, pears.
 WEDNESDAY: Hamburger/bun, cheese slice, fries, pineapple.
 THURSDAY: Country fried steak, whipped potatoes, hot roll, peaches.
 FRIDAY: Peanut butter & jelly, tator tots, fruit cocktail.

Hoopeston Area Middle/High School

MONDAY: Double cheeseburger, fries, apple-sauce; Choices: turkey/bun, ham & cheese/bun.
 TUESDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, pears; Choices: chicken patty/bun, corn dog.
 WEDNESDAY: Chicken & noodles, corn, peaches; Choices: pizza, rib/bun.
 THURSDAY: Taco/soft shell, salad, pineapple; Choices: chicken nuggets, BBQ/bun.
 FRIDAY: Pizza quesadilla, salad, pineapple; Choices: hamburger/bun, fish/bun.

Rossville-Alvin Grade School

MONDAY: Pasta bake, green beans, peaches, cheesy breadstick.
 TUESDAY: Chicken patty, cheese slice, California blend, applesauce.
 WEDNESDAY: BBQ rib, fries, banana pudding fruit snacks.
 THURSDAY: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, fruit cocktail, bread, butter.
 FRIDAY: PB& J, carrots/dip, apple slices, pretzels.

CRIS/SAMS meals

MONDAY: Polish sausage/bun, mashed potatoes, green beans, cherry gelatin/fruit.
 TUESDAY: Chopped steak, parsley potatoes, glazed carrots, pineapple chunks, wheat bread.
 WEDNESDAY: Pepper beef patty, loaded potato carrots, mixed fruit, white bread.
 THURSDAY: Meatloaf/tomato sauce, rutabaga, lima beans, grape juice, wheat bread.
 FRIDAY: Cube steak, baked potato, pea salad, cinnamon apples w/raisins, white bread.
 All meals include milk.

Police continued from other side

sion of stolen property, five counts of forgery and 10 counts of credit card fraud after police allege he used a credit card that did not belong to him. All charges are Class 3 felonies.

Woodrich was taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville.

Robert L. Clayburn, 34, of 111 E. Lincoln was arrested after a traffic stop at 6:52 p.m. Thursday in the 100 block of North Market. He was charged with operating an uninsured motor vehicle and driving while license suspended.

Clayburn was released on a notice to appear in Vermilion County Circuit Court.

A **55-year-old** man reported Friday that his mailbox had been damaged by an unknown vehicle. The damage occurred in the 500 block of West Orange.

No tickets or injuries were reported in an accident at 3:10 p.m. Friday at Sixth St. and East Seminary.

Police said Rebecca M. Nunn, of Hoopeston, in a 2000 Dodge Caravan, pulled off the shoulder and struck a 1998 Oldsmobile.

Anthony J. Chandler, 22, of 319½ E. Maple was arrested at 12:45 a.m. Saturday in the 300 block of East Maple. He was charged with domestic battery on a complaint from a 24-year-old Hoopeston woman.


He was taken to the Public Safety Building, Danville.

Donald E. Underwood Jr., 22, of 827 E. Seminary was arrested at 10:10 p.m. Saturday in the 800 block of East Seminary. He was charged with criminal trespass on a complaint from a 41-year-old Hoopeston man.

Underwood was released on a recognizance bond.

Police are investigating a hit-and-run accident reported at 7:12 p.m. Saturday at North Ninth Ave. and West Honeywell. An unknown vehicle hit a parked 2001 Chevrolet Venture van owned by Yvonne C. Anderson of Chatsworth.

Weather



Mostly sunny today. High 77. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 53. Tomorrow, partly cloudy, chance of thunderstorms late. High 81, low 58.

For current weather conditions, call Hoopeston Weather Service, (217) 283-6221.

Briefly

Mapping meeting to be held

Hoopeston residents are reminded that the second mapping meeting will be held from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Monday at St. Anthony parish hall.

The meeting is a follow-up session from the April 26 meeting. Its purpose is to come up with ways to reach the goals set by the group at the earlier meeting.

All residents are invited to attend.

Teachers to be honored

Four retiring teachers from Honeywell School will be honored Tuesday at a reception during the school's Fine Arts show. Kathy Butterworth, Janet Crouch, Sadie Evans and Theta Lee are retiring at the end of the school year.

Music performances will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the reception will immediately follow. Refreshments will be served.

Meetings

Hoopeston Area School Board, 6 p.m. Thursday, high school library. Special meeting to seat new board members.

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